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Budget: During 1971-72, a sum of Rs. 1,67,530 was spent out of a budget provision of Rs. 1,80,000 on the non-plan side. A sum of Rs. 8,700 was provided for National Register of Records on plan side and Rs. 6,540 was spent. A provision of Rs. 1,76,500 has been made in the budget for 1972-73 on non-plan side and sum of Rs. 38,100 on plan side.

Building: Construction of an Archives building at Leh is still under consideration of the Government.

Accession of Records: 34,200 files of different Departments and Branches were accessioned during the year. Due to acute shortage of accommodation, no more records could be accessioned.

A large number of private papers from S/Shri Mirza Kamal-ud-din, A.R. Wafai, Devi Prashad Dhar and Pandit Lamboodar Nath Razdan and others were also acquired.

Arrangement of Records: 18,000 files of different branches of the Civil Secretariat were arranged chronologically. Besides, 18,000 files and volumes of District records were bound in bastas and arranged.

Appraisal of Records: 3,150 files of Civil Secretariat and 3,000 files of District records were appraised. 2,000 clues of permanent records were prepared and typed.

Rules regarding maintenance and destruction of records being very old, require necessary modifications.

Research and Reference: 35 scholars availed themselves of research facilities.

256 requisitions from Government offices, private persons and other Institutions were received for supply of records. 213 files and 43 copies of documents were supplied to different agencies.

Reference Media: Index clues already prepared were being arranged for purposes of publication.

Publication Programme: The Department's proposal for setting up a Publication Unit and the staff required for the Unit was under the consideration of Government.

Preservation: There were no separate Preservation Sections in the Archives Repositories. Two menders trained in rehabilitation and renovation of records at the National Archives of India were looking after the work.

30 maps contained in files relating to the boundary were microfilmed by the Research Department's Microfilming Unit.

Library: 100 books were acquired.

Other Important Activities: The Map Section of the Department remained very busy in connection with the preparation of notes, searching of records and maps etc. pertaining to the Inter-State and International boundaries. Most of the valuable records and maps were supplied to the Surveyor General, Government of India, Dehra Dun.

Resumes have been prepared of about 200 files dealing with boundaries.